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New Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Consolidated Billing (CB) Web Site Address

Note: This article was revised to contain web addresses that conform to the new CMS web site and to show they are now MLN Matters articles. All other information remains the same.

Provider Types Affected

Physicians, non-physician practitioners, institutional providers, and suppliers billing Medicare carriers or fiscal intermediaries (FIs) for services provided to SNF patients.

Provider Action Needed

The purpose of the instruction in CR4297 is to inform affected providers of the new web address for SNF consolidated billing information. The new address corresponds to the new web site from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), and this new address is also being placed in the *Medicare Claims Processing Manual*.

Background

The purpose of Change Request (CR) 4297 is to place the following new Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Consolidated Billing (CB) web site address into the CMS *Medicare Claims Processing Manual* (Pub. 100-04): http://www.cms.hhs.gov/SNFConsolidatedBilling/.

Information regarding SNF consolidated billing at this web page includes the following:

- Services Beyond the Scope of the Part A SNF Benefit
- Edit for Therapy Services Separately Payable When Furnished by a Physician
- Annual Update Process for SNF CB

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 Carrier Claims Processing for Consolidated Billing for Physician and Non-Physician Practitioner Services Rendered to Beneficiaries in a Non-covered SNF Stay

Additional Information

For complete details, please see the official instruction issued to your carrier/FI regarding this change. That instruction may be viewed at http://www.cms.hhs.gov/Transmittals/downloads/R846CP.pdf on the CMS web site.

If you have any questions, please contact your carrier/FI at their toll-free number, which may be found at http://www.cms.hhs.gov/MLNProducts/downloads/CallCenterTollNumDirectory.pdf on the CMS web site.

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